

## **Colonel Philip T. Feir**

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Colonel Tom Feir, a New York native, assumed command of the New England District on June 27, 2008. He graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Information Systems. He received a Master of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College.

His military education includes the Engineer Officers' Basic and Advance Courses; Air Assault School; Airborne School; Jungle Warfare School; Sapper Leader Course; Ranger School; U.S. Army Combined Arms and

Services Staff School; and the Navy's Command and General Staff College.

In 1985 Colonel Feir was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, where he spent much of the next five years with the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, serving as Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, and Battalion Adjutant in the 326th Engineer Battalion, and as Aide-de-Camp to the Assistant Division Commander (Support). He was reassigned in 1990 to U.S. Army Europe (USAREUR), where he served in both the 7<sup>th</sup> and 130<sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigades. With the 7th, Colonel Feir served in Heilbronn, Germany, as the 237th Engineer Battalion Adjutant and B Company Commander; and with the 130<sup>th</sup>, he served in Karlsruhe, Germany, as the 565<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion Assistant Operations Officer and 502<sup>nd</sup> Assault Float Bridge Company Commander. Following his stint at Georgia Tech, COL Feir was assigned to West Point where he taught physics and nuclear engineering. In 1999, he was assigned to the 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in Hawaii and over the next five years served as the Division's Assistant Division Engineer, Secretary to the General Staff, and Deputy Chief for Transformation, as well as the 65<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion's Operations Officer. During that period, Colonel Feir also deployed to Bosnia where he served as the Deputy Chief of Joint Military Affairs, and he concluded his tour in Hawaii as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Engineering for U.S. Army Pacific (USARPAC). In 2004, he assumed command of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' San Francisco District, and following command once again returned to West Point to teach calculus and probability and statistics.

Colonel Feir's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (4th OLC), Army Commendation Medal (2<sup>nd</sup> OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC), National Defense Service Medal (2), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, NATO Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. He has also been awarded the Overseas Service Ribbon, Air Assault Badge, Parachutists Badge, Ranger Tab, and Sapper Tab. Colonel Feir is a lifetime member of the Army Engineer Association (AEA); Association of the United States Army (AUSA); Military Officers Association of America (MOAA); and the Pi Mu Epsilon (National Honorary Mathematics Society).